**College of Education**

**Report to FPC: Diversity and Inclusion Committee Meeting**

**February, 2019**

The February 8 meeting of the **Diversity and Inclusion Committee** was convened by Elayne Colon.

* D & I committee has begun to operate as a one-stop arena for D & I resources for COE and this also includes the dissemination of university and county-wide activities, events, or opportunities related to issues of diversity and inclusion
* Dr. Maria Leitie, the College’s division liaison to the Chief Diversity Personnel is now affiliated with the D & I committee

* FPC has approved the Diversity and Inclusion Faculty Award. The award will be launched in fall 2019. Our plan is to make a final review of the official announcement in March and a copy will then be submitted to FPC.
* Finalized plans for the **Conversation that Matters: Spring Book Read**
  + **Book:** Emdin, C. (2016). ***For White Folks Who Teach in the Hood and the Rest of Y’all too***
  + Information fliers are being prepared for this week’s launch (Feb. 25th)
  + Book Availability:
    - Explored availability through the library’s ebook system
    - A number of books will be ordered through Dr. Waldron’s effort and made available in Ed Central
    - One Director has made a promise to buy copies of the book for faculty
  + Tentatively, the book read will culminate in a faculty wide conversation/discussion – plan for this event is still to be finalized but a wine and cheese affair to complement the event. Tentatively April 22nd

PS. Chris Emden has been contacted to begin conversation of a possible visit to Gainesville in the fall to continue the conversation launching the **D & I** 2019-2020 events.

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